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- 25X1 1. The engineering and weapons factory at Radom (51°25'N 21°09'E) is located on ul. Młodzianowskięj on the outskirts of Radom in the direction of the village of Młodzianow. The managing director of the plant is a Russian whose name is not known. The technical production manager is (fnu) Tarchinski, a Russian of Jewish origin. The plant employs approximately 2,000 workers in three shifts.
2. Production up to April 1951:\*
- a. WIS pistols with 12 bullets (sic).
- b. Carbines (a pre-war, obsolete type)\*\*.
- c. Automobile and bicycle parts (no parts assembly).
3. The WIS pistols were individually packed in cases, each of which contained 20 compartments for one pistol each; the carbines were packed in cases of tens. These cases were loaded into railroad cars under the supervision of soldiers who were attached to the factory as guards. Transports were dispatched by rail from a siding which connects the factory with the main line at night only.
- 25X1 4. The present machinery was all imported [redacted] Czechoslovakia because after the German occupation, the Russians removed all the former machinery to the USSR. The plant is now undergoing expansion. Construction of large buildings started in the spring of 1951. It was believed they were intended for heavy industrial production. The completion of this construction and the start of production is scheduled for the end of June 1952. Machinery for the new plant area has already been delivered by the USSR.\*\*\* It is expected that the future production of the new plant will include tanks, guns of various calibers and armored cars. The factory has its own firing range for arms testing.\*\*\*\*

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5. Close to the factory is a machine shop training school, the Technicum Mechaniczne, where men are trained for working at the factory. While training they also work three days a week in the plant. Construction of new school workshops began at the same time as the plant expansion.
6. A military unit which is quartered in the factory area and has its own training grounds fulfills the guard duties. Watch towers manned by guards are equipped with light machine guns. The towers are located at the corners of the plant area, and there is also one on top of the water tower.\*\*\*\*\*

25X1 \* [ ] Comment: Heavy arms and tanks were produced at this factory during the German occupation. It was generally believed the current arms production was exported.

25X1 \*\* [ ] Comment: It has been reported that two types of Soviet machine guns and single shot, 6 mm. Mosin sports rifles are also produced at Radom.

25X1 \*\*\* [ ] Comment: Older workers at the plant recognized some of this equipment, all of which was in a bad state of repair indicating little or no care was taken of it while in Soviet hands, as machinery formerly belonging to Fabryka Mechaniczna i Broni and removed by the Soviets early in their occupation as German war assets.

25X1 \*\*\*\* [ ] Comment: It has been reported that the Polygon Training Camp at Zielonka near Warsaw has been used for testing Radom rifles.

25X1 25X1 \*\*\*\*\* [ ] Comment: [ ] it is reasonable to assume the plant is surrounded by some sort of protective fencing, which probable fact is only implied by his words.

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